

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Withdrawn) An edible film for the treatment of pharyngitis or cough comprising:

a film former; and

an active ingredient, wherein the edible film will dissolve when placed in the oral cavity thereby delivering the active ingredient to the oral cavity.
2. (Withdrawn) The edible film of claim 1 wherein the active ingredient comprises an ingredient selected from Table 1.
3. (Withdrawn) The edible film of claim 1 where in the active ingredient comprises menthol, benzocaine or both menthol and benzocaine.
4. (Withdrawn) The edible film of claim 1 comprising Water, N&A Cherry, Carrageen, Acsulfame Potassium, Sucralose, Lecithin, Benzocaine, Glycerin, Sodium Benzoate, Poly Sorbate 80 Menthol, Carboxymethyl Cellulose and one or more of Pectin, Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.
5. (Withdrawn) The edible film of claim 1 comprising:

Water	about 0 to 25%;
N&A Cherry	about 0 to 25%;
Carrageen	about 0 to 10%;
Acsulfame Potassium	about 0 to .1%;
Sucralose	about 0 to 5%;
Lecithin	about 0 to 1%;

Benzocaine	about 0 to 12%;
Glycerin	about 0 to 10%;
Sodium Benzoate	about 0 to 2%;
Poly Sorbate 80	about 0 to 0.5%;
Menthol	about 0 to 12%;
Carboxymethyl Cellulose	about 0 to 12%; and
Pectin	about 20 to 60%;

wherein a portion of the Pectin may be replaced with one or more of the group consisting of Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.

6. (Withdrawn) The edible film of claim 1 comprising:

Water	about 5 to 15%;
N&A Cherry	about 10 to 20%;
Carrageen	about 2 to 6%;
Acsulfame Potassium	about 0.2 to 0.6%;
Sucralose	about 1 to 3%;
Lecithin	about 0.2 to 0.6%;
Benzocaine	about 3 to 9%;
Glycerin	about 2 to 8%;
Sodium Benzoate	about 0.05 to 0.2%;
Poly Sorbate 80	about 0.05 to 0.35%;
Menthol	about 3 to 9%;
Carboxymethyl Cellulose	about 3 to 9%; and

wherein a portion of the Pectin may be replaced with one or more of the group consisting of Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.

10. (Withdrawn) The edible film of claim 7 comprising Water, N&A Cherry, Carrageen, Acsulfame Potassium, Sucralose, Lecithin, Benzocaine, Glycerin, Sodium Benzoate, Poly Sorbate 80 Menthol, Carboxymethyl Cellulose and one or more of Pectin, Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.

- Sucralose about 0 to 5%:

Lecithin	about 0 to 1%;
Benzocaine	about 0 to 12%;
Glycerin	about 0 to 10%;
Sodium Benzoate	about 0 to 2%;
Poly Sorbate 80	about 0 to 0.5%;
Menthol	about 0 to 12%;
Carboxymethyl Cellulose	about 0 to 12%; and
Pectin	about 20 to 60%;

wherein a portion of the Pectin may be replaced with one or more of the group consisting of Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.

12. (Withdrawn) The edible film of claim 7 comprising:

Water	about 5 to 15%;
N&A Cherry	about 10 to 20%;
Carrageen	about 2 to 6%;
Acsulfame Potassium	about 0.2 to 0.6%;
Sucralose	about 1 to 3%;
Lecithin	about 0.2 to 0.6%;
Benzocaine	about 3 to 9%;
Glycerin	about 2 to 8%;
Sodium Benzoate	about 0.05 to 0.2%;
Poly Sorbate 80	about 0.05 to 0.35%;
Menthol	about 3 to 9%;

Pectin about 35 to 50%:

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Cancelled)

_____ providing an edible film, wherein the edible film consists essentially of a film layer and a powder matrix coating, wherein at least one of the film layer and the powder matrix coating comprises benzocaine, and wherein the edible film is configured to dissolve in the oral cavity within 15 seconds of application; and

administering the edible film to a user to ameliorate pharyngitis,

wherein the combination of the film layer and the powder matrix coating comprises:

Water about 0 to 25%;

N&A Cherry about 0 to 25%;

Carrageen about 0 to 10%;

Ac sulfame Potassium about 0 to .1%;

Sucralose about 0 to 5%;

Lecithin about 0 to 1%;

Benzocaine	<u>greater than 0% but less than about 0 to 12%;</u>
Glycerin	about 0 to 10%;
Sodium Benzoate	about 0 to 2%;
Poly Sorbate 80	about 0 to 0.5%;
Menthol	about 0 to 12%;
Carboxymethyl Cellulose	about 0 to 12%; and
Pectin	<u>greater than 0% but less than about 20 to</u> 60%[[:]]].

~~wherein a portion of the Pectin may be replaced with one or more of the group consisting of Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.~~

18. (Currently amended) ~~The method of claim 13 wherein the edible film comprises~~ A method for ameliorating pharyngitis comprising:
_____ providing an edible film, wherein the edible film consists essentially of a film layer and a powder matrix coating, wherein at least one of the film layer and the powder matrix coating comprises benzocaine, and wherein the edible film is configured to dissolve in the oral cavity within 15 seconds of application; and
_____ administering the edible film to a user to ameliorate pharyngitis,
wherein the combination of the film layer and the powder matrix coating comprises:

Water	about 5 to 15%;
N&A Cherry	about 10 to 20%;
Carrageen	about 2 to 6%;
Ac sulfame Potassium	about 0.2 to 0.6%;

Sucralose	about 1 to 3%;
Lecithin	about 0.2 to 0.6%;
Benzocaine	about 3 to 9%;
Glycerin	about 2 to 8%;
Sodium Benzoate	about 0.05 to 0.2%;
Poly Sorbate 80	about 0.05 to 0.35%;
Menthol	about 3 to 9%;
Carboxymethyl Cellulose	about 3 to 9%; and
Pectin	about 35 to 50%;

wherein a portion of the Pectin may be replaced with one or more of the group consisting of Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.

19. (Withdrawn) A method of ameliorating a cough or pharyngitis comprises: placing an edible film into the oral cavity wherein said film dissolves in the oral cavity to deliver the active ingredient to the oral cavity and wherein the edible film comprises a first layer and a second layer, wherein the second layer comprises a dry coat layer comprising an active ingredient, and wherein the second layer is affixed to the first layer.

20. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein the active ingredient comprises an ingredient selected from Table 1.

21. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein the active ingredient comprises menthol, benzocaine or both menthol and benzocaine.

22. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein the edible film comprises Water, N&A Cherry, Carrageen, Acsulfame Potassium, Sucralose, Lecithin, Benzocaine, Glycerin, Sodium Benzoate, Poly Sorbate 80 Menthol, Carboxymethyl Cellulose and one or more of Pectin, Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.

23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein the edible film comprises:

Water	about 0 to 25%;
N&A Cherry	about 0 to 25%;
Carrageen	about 0 to 10%;
Acsulfame Potassium	about 0 to .1%;
Sucralose	about 0 to 5%;
Lecithin	about 0 to 1%;
Benzocaine	about 0 to 12%;
Glycerin	about 0 to 10%;
Sodium Benzoate	about 0 to 2%;
Poly Sorbate 80	about 0 to 0.5%;
Menthol	about 0 to 12%;
Carboxymethyl Cellulose	about 0 to 12%; and
Pectin	about 20 to 60%;

wherein a portion of the Pectin may be replaced with one or more of the group consisting of Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.

24. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein the edible film comprises:

Water	about 5 to 15%;
N&A Cherry	about 10 to 20%;
Carrageen	about 2 to 6%;
Ac sulfame Potassium	about 0.2 to 0.6%;
Sucralose	about 1 to 3%;
Lecithin	about 0.2 to 0.6%;
Benzocaine	about 3 to 9%;
Glycerin	about 2 to 8%;
Sodium Benzoate	about 0.05 to 0.2%;
Poly Sorbate 80	about 0.05 to 0.35%;
Menthol	about 3 to 9%;
Carboxymethyl Cellulose	about 3 to 9%; and
Pectin	about 35 to 50%;

wherein a portion of the Pectin may be replaced with one or more of the group consisting of Gelatin, Maltodextrin, Modified Food Starch, TiO₂, and Acacia Gum.

25. (Cancelled)
26. (Cancelled)
27. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the film layer comprises the benzocaine.
28. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein administering the edible film provides a numbing effect.

29. (New) The method according to claim 18, wherein the film layer comprises the benzocaine.

30. (New) The method according to claim 18, wherein administering the edible film provides a numbing effect.

31. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the powder matrix coating is applied to both sides of the film layer.

32. (New) The method according to claim 18, wherein the powder matrix coating is applied to both sides of the film layer.